

### REMARKS

Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

The Office Action dated June 4, 2003 indicates that Claims 1-9 are rejected for indefiniteness in the recitations of Claims 1 and 5 under 35 USC §112, second paragraph. Claims 1 and 5 have been amended to provide that Claims 6 and 7 have been amended to overcome the other noted inconsistencies. Support for the amendments to Claims 1 and 5 can be found at page 3, line 20 to page 4, line 4 of the specification. No new matter has been added.

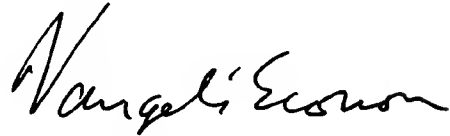
With respect to the term "via a common electrical connection" recited in each of the independent Claims 1 and 5, the following detailed explanation is in order.

As shown in FIG. 4, in the A region, the common electrode 30 is connected with the first transparent electrode 24a. In the B region, the common electrode 30 is separated from the first transparent electrode 24a. Accordingly, a gate insulating film 26 is deposited on the structure, and is selectively patterned to connect the first transparent electrode 24b of region B, thereby forming a contact hole. A second transparent electrode layer (not shown) is deposited on the gate insulating film 26 having the contact hole, and is selectively patterned to form second transparent electrodes 28a and 28b. The first transparent electrode 24b of region B is connected with the second transparent electrodes 28a of region A through the contact hole.

The Office Action further indicates that Claims 1-9 would be allowable over the prior art of record in the event that the §112 rejection is overcome, for which indication the Applicants express their appreciation.

It is respectfully submitted that the above amendments have overcome the outstanding the §112 rejections. Accordingly, a Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Vangelis Economou". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Vangelis" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Economou".

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